

## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 82

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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Coach Paul Powers of Clarksville High School on his much deserved selection as TSSAA's Tennessee Golf Coach of the Year.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those coaches who have performed their duties with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm and who, through their magnificent exploits, have brought honor to this State; and

WHEREAS, one such estimable coach is Paul Powers, head coach of the Clarksville High School boys' varsity golf team, who was recently honored as the TSSAA's Tennessee Golf Coach of the Year for 2005-2006, in recognition of his team's remarkable success on the links; and

WHEREAS, this prestigious honor was made all the more satisfying when Coach Powers and his Clarksville High School Wildcats captured their eleventh consecutive District 10-AAA title and their second consecutive TSSAA State Golf Championship in 2006; and

WHEREAS, one whose skills and acumen have always been obvious to observers in the realm of both high school and college athletics, Coach Powers is not only an accomplished technical teacher of the art and science of golf, he also serves as a great motivator for his players, always inspiring them to play their best and their smartest; and

WHEREAS, his straight-forward approach fosters a pleasant environment for his players, and they greatly value his guidance and advice in keeping both golf and life in perspective; and

WHEREAS, raw statistics and state championships, however impressive they may be, cannot come close to measuring his value as a coach; Paul Powers is an exceptional mentor and teaches the sport of golf as few people can; and

WHEREAS, in winning consecutive state titles during the past two seasons, Paul Powers has elevated the Wildcat golf team to statewide prominence, and he has done it with a dignity and class that reflect the reputation he has built as a leader of young men; and

WHEREAS, in acknowledging this latest in a long line of honors, Coach Powers modestly attributed Clarksville High School's astonishing success in interscholastic golf to his players, both past and present; and

WHEREAS, Coach Powers has carried out his duties with the utmost acumen, alacrity, diligence, and character, and with an inspirational flair unique to him; he has earned the respect and admiration of his players, the administration, faculty, and student body of Clarksville High School, and the citizens of this State; and

WHEREAS, throughout his outstanding career, Paul Powers has demonstrated a remarkable ability to motivate his players to reach their fullest potential; he exemplifies the unquestionable character and stalwart determination that are characteristic of a true Tennessean, and he should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and commend Coach Paul Powers of the Clarksville High School boys' varsity golf team for his honorable and astute service to the youth of this State and join with his players, family, and friends in celebrating his most recent honorific as TSSAA's Tennessee Golf Coach of the Year for 2005-2006.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.